PHI BETA KAPPA TO

Convention to Be Held at the Scene of Fraternity's Founding.

TO BE LITERARY GATHERING

President Tyler, of William and Mary, to Make Address and Prof. Hall to Read Poem.

WILLIAMSBURG, VA., August 31 .-The professors of William and Mary College are now preparing for one of College are now preparing for one of the greatest events that has taken place in the city for a number of years. From September 11th to 14th the Senate and Triennial Council of Phi Beta Kappa will hold its meeting at William and Mary College—the first time that it has met at any college. Herefofore these meetings have been held at Saratoga, but at the last meeting it was decided to hold the next meeting at William and Mary, where the society was founded in 1776.

The meeting will be one of the greatest literary gatherings that has ever taken place in the South. Over one hundred delegates will be present, among them some of the most distinguished literary men of America. Colleges and universities from Maine to Texas, and as far West as Michigan, will be represented. Preparations are being made to entertain the unusually large number of guests, and every courtesy will be shown them.

Phi Beta Kappa was founded at William and Mary College before the Revolutionary War, and was the first Greek letter fraternity in the United States. The society, however, is not a secret one, and is entirely literary in its character. Only graduates from the college who have shown marked ability and men who have distinguished themselves in letters and science are elected to membership. Consequently, the mem the greatest events that has taken

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The chapter at William and Mary is the oldest of all the chapters, and has had as members some of the most distinguished men in American history. This chapter, after having been inactive for nearly seventy-five years, was reorganized in 1893, and since then has been one of the most active chapters of the society. Secretary Elliu Root, a distinguished member of Phi Beta Kappa, said he regarded this reorganization of the parent chapter at William and Mary as one of the greatest events of the closing years of the nineteenth century.

Many questions of importance will come up before the meeting. For the past four or five years all of the principal universities and colleges have been seeking to obtain a charter for a chapter. About ten or twelve of these come up at each meeting, but not more than six or seven are ever passed upon favorably. Among others, the University of Virginia has sought for several years to obtain a charter-but, so far, has been unsuccessful. It is the opinion of the members of the chapter at William and Mary, however, that her application will be passed upon favorably at the coming meeting. Probably the most interestchapter at William and Mary, however, that her application will be passed upon favorably at the coming meeting. Probably the most interesting question which will come up before the meeting will be whether or not chapters shall be established at ingituations where either Latin or Greek is not required for an A. B. degree. This question came up before the Senate last May, and was voted upon in the negative. This year it comes up before the Council, and if it also passes before that body, probably a number of institutions which are trying for chapters will be thrown out.

As mentioned above, the meeting here will be something out of the usual order, the meetings having never before been held at any college, and every effort will be made to entertain the guests.

Sometime during the meeting an excursion will be given to Jamestown and on the night of September lith the facuity of William and Mary College will give a recoption to the guests, among whom will be a number of

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The meeting will be open on the night of September with at \$30, with an address of welcome by President Lyon G. Tyler, of William and Mary College. A reply will then be made by some official of the society. Professor E. A. Grosvenor, of Amherst College, will deliver an oration, and a historical sketch of the society will be read by Rev. O. M. Voohees.

Prof. J. Leslie Hall, of William and Mary, has been invited to deliver a poom.



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